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CONFERENCE: IV NOMINATION

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1. POST NOMINATES FOR PARTIAL THIRTY DAY IV GRANT (DOMESTIC
TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM) JUSTICE MOSES O. OYEMADE,
CHIEF JUSTICE, WESTERN STATE. PROGRAM TO INCLUDE ATTENDANCE
AT WASHINGTON WORLD PEACE THROUGH LAW CONFERENCE OCTOBER
12-17, 1975. PROPOSE FUND FROM CPP PROJECT B-1. OTHER
NOMINATIONS UNDER SAME PROJECT FOLLOW SEPTTEL.

2. BIODATA FOLLOWS:

FULL NAME : MR. MOSES OLATUNJI OYEMADE

PRESENT POSITION : CHIEF JUSTICE, WESTERN STATE

PAST POSITIONS : HIGH COURT JUDGE, 1962-72;
CHIEF REGISTRAR, HIGH COURT, 1960-62;
CHIEF MAGISTRATE, 1957-60;
MAGISTRATE, 1949-57

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH: MARCH 28, 1916; IJEBU-IFE, WESTERN STATE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP : NIGERIAN; NONE PREVIOUS
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PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO THE US: NONE

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO OTHER COUNTRIES: UNITED KINGDOM 1944-48

ESCORT SERVICES : DESIRABLE

VISA ELIGIBILITY : NAMECHECK SATISFACTORY, VISA ELIGIBLE

REASONS FOR NOMINATION: WESTERN STATE'S LEGAL AND JURIDICAL
OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN INTERESTED FOR
SOME TIME IN EXPLORING AMERICAN SYSTEM OF JUSTICE WITH EYE ON
ADAPTING AMERICAN METHODS WHEN THEY RESTRUCTURE PRESENT LEGAL
SYSTEM. IT WAS FOR THIS REASON THAT FORMER WESTERN STATE ATTORNEY
GENERAL REQUESTED SERVICES OF AMERICAN LEGAL CODIFICATION EXPERT
(CPP PROJECT B-3). SINCE OYEMADE PLANS ATTEND WORLD PEACE
THROUGH LAW CONFERENCE AT NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT'S EXPENSE, AND
SINCE HE HAS EXPRESSED KEEN INTEREST IN EXPLORING AMERICAN
JUDICIAL AND LEGAL SYSTEMS, POST BELIEVES HIS ALREADY-PLANNED
VISIT PROVIDES US WITH OPPORTUNITY TO EXPOSE THIS HIGH-RANKING
LEGAL FIGURE TO SYSTEM OF JUSTICE THAT NIGERIANS HAVE COME TO
ADMIRE. AS COSTS INVOLVED IN PARTIAL GRANT MINIMAL, WE BELIEVE
THAT SEIZING THIS CHANCE TO INTRODUCE CHIEF JUSTICE TO OUR THIRD
BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT, WE WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON NIGERIAN LEGAL
SYSTEM AND ITS INTERPRETATION OF ROLE OF LAW.

OBJECTIVES OF US VISIT: PARTIAL GRANT TO THE CHIEF JUSTICE TO
ALLOOW HIM TO EXPLORE AMERICAN LEGAL
SYSTEM SUPPORTS POST'S PROGRAM OBJECTIVE OF EXPANDING NIGERIAN
AWARENESS OF AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH
"IMMEDIATE RELVANCE" TO NIGERIAN DEVELOPMENT, SUCH AS LAW.

AVAILABILITY FOR U.S. VISIT: SECOND WEEK OCTOBER, 1975.

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